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Sir:

The above-mentioned national stage application was filed on March 27, 2006 without a signed oath or declaration.

Enclosed herewith is the original signed declaration.

The fee required for the late filing of an oath or declaration in the amount of \$130.00 is also enclosed.

The declaration is in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.68.

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